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PATENT APPLICATION  
Attorney Docket No. 15966-672 (CURA-172)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : Vernet, et al.  
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/783,436 EXAMINER : K. Kerr  
FILING DATE : February 14, 2001 ART UNIT : 1646  
FOR : NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

***In the Specification:***

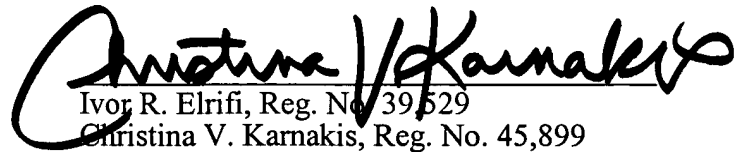
Please insert the sequence listing pages 1-56 at the end of the specification.

**REMARKS**

Applicants submit herewith an initial computer readable form (CFR) copy of the "Sequence Listing"; an initial paper copy of the "Sequence Listing"; and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and include no new matter, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The specification has been amended to insert the sequence listing.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 15966-672 (Cura-172). Should any questions or issues arise concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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